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## COMSC INSTRUCTION 4365.5D

Subj: Disposition of cargo loss and damage claims; responsibility for

1. Purpose. This instruction continues existing procedures for cargo loss and damage claims, extends the applicability of these procedures to include claims arising under time and voyage charters and constitutes the necessary authority therefor.
2. Cancellation. COMSCINST 4365.5C.
3. Action. Counsel, in their respective area commands, are authorized to make final disposition of cargo loss and damage claims arising under shipping orders, bills of lading and time and voyage charters to the extent agreement is reached with the carrier. The authority to render final decisions on disputed claims under the Disputes clause of the shipping contract, shipping agreement or container agreement shall remain with the cognizant Contracting Officer in the area command. The authority to render final decisions on disputed claims arising under time and voyage charters shall remain with the Contracting Officer (M-10) at COMSC.

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